

HB 799 -- Sexual Exploitation by a Clergyperson

Sponsor: Conway (104)

This bill creates the crime of sexual exploitation by a clergyperson, a class C felony. A person commits the crime when a person holds himself or herself out to be a clergyperson and engages in sexual conduct with another person who is not his or her spouse, and the sexual conduct occurred while meeting on an ongoing basis with the victim for religious, spiritual, marital, or relationship advice, counseling, therapy, aid, or comfort or while he or she was in a position of trust or authority over the victim and used the position to engage in the sexual conduct. Consent by the victim will not be a defense under these provisions.